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### Abstract

Printed postcard from Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College (now Virginia Tech), addressed to G. L. Sively of Bath County, Virginia, announcing the beginning of the second half of the 1876/1877 session, with information on enrollment and expenses.

### Creator

Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College (1872-1896)

### Extent

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# Administrative History - Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College

Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College was founded as a land-grant military institute in Blacksburg, Virginia, in 1872. The campus initially consisted of the repurposed facilities of the former Preston and Olin Institute, a Methodist school for boys, and 250 adjoining acres of the Solitude Farm. Charles L. C. Minor served as the college's first president, from 1872 to 1879. One hundred and thirty-two students enrolled in the new college during the first year of classes. In 1896, the institution's name was changed to Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute; in 1944, to Virginia Polytechnic Institute; and in 1970 to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. It is known popularly today as Virginia Tech.

# Biographical Note - George Lewis Sively

George Lewis Sively was born in Virginia on April 7, 1829. During the American Civil War, he served in the Bath Cavalry, the 17th Battalion Virginia Cavalry, and the 11th Virginia Cavalry. The 1870 census lists a 41-year-old farmer named George L. Sively as a farmer residing in Bath County, Virginia, with wife Mary, 34, and four Sively children. He died in Bath County, Virginia on March 31, 1883, and was buried in Sively Cemetery, Bath County.

# Scope and Content

This collection consists of a single printed postcard from Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College (now Virginia Tech), announcing commencement of the second session of the 1876/1877 session. Issued under the name of college president Charles L. C. Minor, the postcard includes information on enrollment, tuition, room and board. The postcard is addressed to G. L. Lively, Mountain Grove, Bath County [Virginia].

# Keywords

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